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This \$1380 payment corresponds to our Credit Card Payment form, dated December 15, 2005 (copy enclosed) filed with the application to authorize our payment of \$1380 for the Filing Fee for this application.

Although this application was filed with the Inventors' Declaration, applicant's filing fee payment of \$1380 included an inadvertent overpayment of \$130 for late filing of the Inventors' Declaration. We thus submitted an April 7, 2006 Request for Refund (copy enclosed) of the \$130 overpayment. So far no refund has been granted.

As you will note, the Filing Receipt (copy enclosed) indicates a filing fee of \$1150. Our Filing Fee of \$1380 included a \$500 payment for the National Stage Search Fee, whereas the actual National Stage Search Fee is \$400. Thus our Filing Fee payment of \$1380 also included an inadvertent overpayment of \$100 for the Search Fee.

The overpayment of \$130 for the Declaration and the overpayment of \$100 for the Search Fee represents an inadvertent overpayment of \$230.

We checked our monthly USPTO Deposit Account statements and our monthly Credit Card Statements for a six-month period following the December 15, 2005 file date of this application. We found no credit from the USPTO for the inadvertent overpayment of \$230.

Astonishingly, our Deposit Account Statement of March 31, 2006 (copy enclosed) indicates a new charge of \$400 for this application for a National Stage Search Fee. However, as detailed above, we not only paid

the National Stage Search Fee when the application was filed, but we overpaid by \$100.

The USPTO thus received an inadvertent overpayment of \$230 when the application was filed and then proceeded to charge, without justification, an additional \$400 from our Deposit Account, for a Search Fee that was previously paid.

Our inadvertent overpayments and unjustifiable overcharges by the USPTO for this application now total \$630.

Please refund the \$630 in excess fees that were received by the USPTO for this application to our Deposit Account 18-1643. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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The \$130 late filing fee was unnecessary because this application was filed with the Inventors' Declaration.

Enclosed is a copy of our Fee Transmittal form, Credit Card
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when the application was filed. The Fee Transmittal Form and the
acknowledgement postcard both indicate that the Inventors' Declaration was
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The \$1,380 filing fee can be broken down as follows:

Basic Filing Fee	\$300
Examination Fee	200
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Extra Claims Fee	250
Late Filing of Inventor's Declaration	<u>130</u>

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Since the \$130 late filing fee paid by applicants was unnecessary, applicants respectfully request a refund of the \$130 fee.

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